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Attorney's Docket No. 047446/273072

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re: Hardeman *et al.* Confirmation No.: 4620  
Application No.: 10/762,078 Group No.: 1623  
Filed: January 21, 2004 Examiner: L. Crane  
For: ALKYL-LINKED NUCLEOTIDE COMPOSITIONS

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

1. This is a petition for an extension of time for a total period of ONE month to respond to the Office Action dated September 27, 2006.

2. Applicant is ☒ a small entity; ☐ other than a small entity.

3. Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(a)(5)):

Total Months Requested	Fee For Other Than Small Entity	Fee for Small Entity
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> one month	\$120.00	\$60.00
<input type="checkbox"/> two months	\$450.00	\$225.00
<input type="checkbox"/> three months	\$1,020.00	\$510.00
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	\$1,590.00	\$795.00
<input type="checkbox"/> five months*	\$2,160.00	\$1,080.00

\*Cannot be used to exceed six-month statutory limit for response to an Official Action.

- ☒ A check in the amount of \$60 is enclosed.
- ☐ Charge Deposit Account No. 16-0605 for the extension fee.
- ☐ All fees are being authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 16-0605 when electronically filing
- ☒ Charge Deposit Account No. 16-0605 for any fee deficiency.

Respectfully submitted,

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